

FILE DESCRIPTION

NEW YORK FILE

SUBJECT **HELEN SOBELL**

FILE NO. **100-109849**

VOLUME NO. **19**

SERIALS **1401**

THRU

1490

NOTICE

THE BEST COPIES OBTAINABLE ARE INCLUDED IN THE REPRODUCTION OF THE FILE. PAGES INCLUDED THAT ARE BLURRED, LIGHT OR OTHERWISE DIFFICULT TO READ ARE THE RESULT OF THE CONDITION AND OR COLOR OF THE ORIGINALS PROVIDED. THESE ARE THE BEST COPIES AVAILABLE.

JPD / csh
11/77
(month/year)

File No: 100-109849

Re: Helen SERSECC

Date:

(month/year)

| Serial | Date | Description (Type of communication, to, from) | No. of Pages | | * | Exemptions used or, to whom referred (Identify statute if (b)(3) cited) |
|--------|---------|--|--------------|----------|-----|--|
| | | | Actual | Released | | |
| 1401 | 2/8/65 | copy: CSJMS NY letter to DE | 7 | 1 | No | |
| 1402 | 3/1/65 | copy: CSJMS NY letter to SF | 2 | 0 | No | |
| 1403 | 1/5/65 | copy CSJMS copy to NY SA letter to LA | 6 | 2 | No | |
| 1404 | 3/12/65 | Verification of Information | 1 | 1 | No | |
| 1405 | 3/18/65 | SA letter to SAC, NY | 1 | 1 | No | |
| 1406 | 3/18/65 | Informant Report | 2 | 0 | No | |
| 1407 | 4/5/65 | NY memo to HQ | 1 | 0 | Yes | F2/282 NR (FD 366) BUFILE 100-404849 |
| 1408 | 4/5/65 | NY letter to HQ | 1 | 0 | Yes | F2/282 NR (FD 122) BUFILE 100-404849 |
| 1409 | 4/8/65 | Informant Report | 2 | 0 | No | |
| 1410 | 4/8/65 | Informant Report | 2 | 0 | No | |
| 1411 | 4/20/65 | Informant Report | 2 | 0 | No | |
| 1412 | 4/30/65 | SA letter to NY | 1 | 1 | No | |

*Designated to or from Bureau and/or Albuquerque, New York

| Serial | Date | Description (Type of communication, to, from) | No. of Pages | | * | Exemptions used or, to whom referred (Identify statute if (b)(3) cited) |
|--------|---------|--|--------------|----------|-----|--|
| | | | Actual | Released | | |
| 1413 | 4/5/65 | NY letter to HQ | 1 | 0 | Yes | BUFILE 100-404849 |
| 1414 | 4/6/65 | cont: SC SA letter to NY | 2 | 2 | No | |
| 1415 | 4/27/65 | cont: CSTM SA letter to NY | 1 | 1 | No | |
| 1416 | 4/28/65 | cont: CSTM NY letter to WFO | 2 | 0 | No | |
| 1417 | 5/7/65 | Serial 1418 Envelope to NY Airtel | 2 | 1 | Yes | Process |
| 1418 | 5/7/65 | cont: CSTM NY Airtel to HQ | 1 | 1 | Yes | Process |
| 1419 | 5/19/65 | Informant Report | 2 | 0 | No | |
| 1420 | 6/2/65 | NY Report to HQ | 18 | 0 | Yes | BUFILE 100-404849 |
| 1421 | 6/14/65 | Routing slip | 1 | 1 | No | |
| 1422 | 6/29/65 | HQ letter to USSS | 1 | 0 | Yes | BUFILE 100-404849 |
| 1423 | 6/29/65 | NY letter to HQ | 1 | 0 | Yes | BUFILE 100-404849 |
| 1424 | 5/24/65 | Cover Sheet for Informant List T | 0 | 0 | No | |

File No: 100-109849Re: Helen Sobell

| Serial | Date | Description (Type of communication, to, from) | No. of Pages | | * | Exemptions used or, to whom referred (Identify statute if (b)(3) cited) |
|--------|---------|--|--------------|----------|-----|--|
| | | | Actual | Released | | |
| 1425 | 5/24/65 | Indices Search Slip cont: CSJMS | 1 | 1 | No | |
| 1426 | 5/25/65 | SA letter to NY cont: CSJMS | 2 | 2 | No | |
| 1427 | 5/27/65 | NY letter to BS | 7 | 1 | No | |
| 1428 | 5/28/65 | H. STASSEN letter to H. Sobell | 1 | 1 | Yes | PROCESS |
| 1429 | 9/28/65 | H. Sobell letter to H. STASSEN | 1 | 1 | No | |
| 1430 | 5/28/65 | H. Stassen letter to Director | 1 | 1 | Yes | PROCESS |
| 1431 | 6/3/65 | Director letter to H. STASSEN | 1 | 1 | Yes | PROCESS |
| 1432 | 6/14/65 | Cover Sheet for Informant Report | 1 | 0 | No | |
| 1433 | 6/15/65 | Cover Sheet for Informant Report cont: CSJMS | 1 | 0 | No | |
| 1434 | 6/15/65 | SA letter to NY | 3 | 0 | No | |
| 1435 | 6/16/65 | SA letter to NY cont: CSJMS | 1 | 1 | No | |
| 1436 | 6/18/65 | NY letter to BS | 7 | 0 | No | |

*Designated to or from Bureau and/or Albuquerque, New York

| Serial | Date | Description (Type of communication, to, from) | No. of Pages | | * | Exemptions used or, to whom referred (Identify statute if (b)(3) cited) |
|--------|---------|--|--------------|----------|----|--|
| | | | Actual | Released | | |
| 1437 | 6/22/65 | SA to NY Informant Report | 3 | 0 | No | |
| 1438 | 6/22/65 | SA to NY Informant Report | 3 | 0 | No | |
| 1439 | 6/29/65 | cap: CSM S SA letter to NY | 3 | 0 | No | |
| 1440 | 7/13/65 | Informant Report | 2 | 2 | No | |
| 1441 | 6/25/65 | Informant Report | 1 | 1 | No | |
| 1442 | 4/23/63 | NH Informant Report | 1 | 1 | No | |
| 1443 | 6/25/65 | NH Informant Report | 1 | 1 | No | |
| 1444 | 6/25/65 | NH Informant Report | 1 | 1 | No | |
| 1445 | 6/25/65 | NH Informant Report | 1 | 1 | No | |
| 1446 | 4/23/65 | NH letter to NY | 3 | 3 | No | |
| 1447 | 7/13/65 | cap: CSM S SA letter to NY | 2 | 2 | No | |
| 1448 | 6/30/65 | cap: CSM S SA letter to NY | 3 | 3 | No | |

*Designated to or from Bureau and/or Albuquerque, New York

VOLUME

19

NEW YORK FILES

REVIEWED BY

JES/peh

No

100-109849

Re:

Helen Sabell

Date:

11/77

(month/year)

| Serial | Date | Description (Type of communication, to, from) | No. of Pages | | * | Exemptions used or, to whom referred (Identify statute if (b)(3) cited) |
|--------|---------|--|--------------|----------|-----|--|
| | | | Actual | Released | | |
| 1449 | 7/20/65 | SA letter to NY | 2 | 0 | No | |
| 1450 | 7/29/65 | Informant Report | 2 | 0 | No | |
| 1451 | 7/28/65 | cont: CSJMS NY letter to NH | 5 | 0 | No | |
| 1452 | 8/6/65 | Serial 1453 Enclosure to NH Airtel | 19 | 19 | Yes | Process |
| 1453 | 8/6/65 | cont: 3rd part NH Airtel to HQ | 2 | 2 | Yes | Process |
| 1454 | 8/10/65 | cont: 2nd part SA letter to SAC | 3 | 3 | No | |
| 1455 | 8/10/65 | cont: 3rd part SA letter to SAC | 2 | 2 | No | |
| 1456 | 8/18/65 | Informant Report | 2 | 0 | No | |
| 1457 | 8/18/65 | Informant Report | 2 | 0 | No | |
| 1458 | 8/22/65 | Informant Report | 2 | 0 | No | |
| 1459 | 8/26/65 | cont: CSJMS SA letter to NY | 3 | 0 | No | |
| 1460 | 8/26/65 | cont: CSJMS SA letter to NY | 3 | 0 | No | |

*Designated to or from Bureau and/or Albuquerque, New York

FBI/DOJ

VOLUME

19

NEW YORK FILES

REVIEWED BY

JRO / *[signature]*

No: 100-109849

Re: *Helen Sobell*

Date:

11/77

(month/year)

| Serial | Date | Description (Type of communication, to, from) | No. of Pages | | * | Exemptions used or, to whom referred (Identify statute if (b)(3) cited) |
|--------|---------|--|--------------|----------|----|--|
| | | | Actual | Released | | |
| 461 | 8/20/65 | capt: SC SA letter to NY | 2 | 2 | No | |
| 462 | 8/26/65 | capt: C S M S NY letter to LA | 8 | 0 | No | |
| 463 | 9/2/65 | capt: C S M S SA letter to NY | 4 | 1 | No | |
| 464 | 9/14/65 | Informant Report | 4 | 0 | No | |
| 465 | 9/23/65 | Cover Sheet for Informant Report | 1 | 0 | No | |
| 466 | 9/22/65 | capt: C S M S NY letter to NK | 5 | 0 | No | |
| 467 | 9/24/65 | Cover Sheet for Informant Report | 1 | 0 | No | |
| 468 | 9/16/65 | capt: SC SA letter to NY | 2 | 2 | No | |
| 469 | 9/21/65 | Cover Sheet for Informant Report | 1 | 0 | No | |
| 470 | 9/21/65 | Cover Sheet for Informant Report | 1 | 0 | No | |
| 471 | 9/30/65 | Verification of Information | 1 | 1 | No | |
| 472 | 8/26/65 | Informant Report | 2 | 0 | NO | |

*Designated to or from Bureau and/or Albuquerque, New York

File No: 100-109849

Re:

HELEN Sobell

| Serial | Date | Description (Type of communication, to, from) | No. of Pages | | * | Exemptions used or, to whom referred (Identify statute if (b)(3) cited) |
|--------|----------|--|--------------|----------|-----|--|
| | | | Actual | Released | | |
| 1473 | 9/17/65 | capt: CACSTMS SA letter to LA copy to NY | 3 | 2 | No | |
| 1474 | 10/4/65 | capt: CSTM PD letter to HQ copy to NY | 3 | 3 | Yes | Process |
| 1475 | 10/4/65 | Serial 1476 Envelope to WFO Airtel | 3 | 0 | Yes | BUFILE 100-404849 |
| 1476 | 10/4/65 | capt: VIDEM WFO Airtel to HQ copy to NY | 2 | 0 | Yes | BUFILE 100-404849 |
| 1477 | 10/4/65 | capt: LA CSTM SA letter to LA copy to NY | 6 | 3 | No | |
| 1478 | 10/8/65 | Informant Report | 3 | 0 | No | |
| 1479 | 10/8/65 | capt: LA CSTM SA letter to LA copy to NY | 4 | 2 | No | |
| 1480 | 10/4/65 | SA to WFO Informant Report | 3 | 3 | No | |
| 1481 | 10/15/65 | capt: CSTM LA Airtel to HQ copy to NY | 1 | 1 | Yes | Process |
| 1482 | 10/18/65 | capt: CSTM NY letter to HN | 6 | 0 | No | |
| 1483 | 10/19/65 | capt: SC SA letter to NY | 2 | 2 | No | |
| 1484 | 10/19/65 | capt: CSTM LA letter to HQ copy to NY | 4 | 4 | Yes | Process |

*Designated to or from Bureau and/or Albuquerque, New York

HELEN SOBELL

11/22

PR/DOJ

(MATERIAL MUST NOT BE REMOVED FROM OR ADDED TO THIS FILE)

Bureau File Number

60-407849

Also Not

Vol-A - Newspaper Clippings

1672

Serials

Volume Number

1401-1490

CLASSIFICATION

10512

109849

FILE # 100-109849

SUBJECT HELEN Sobell

SERIAL 1401 DATE 2-8-65

CONSISTING OF 7 PAGES

OF WHICH PAGES 1-5, + 7

were exempt from disclosure, in their entirety
under (b) (1) as it has been classified pursuant
to Executive Order 11652 as it contains
information which would disclose an intelligence
source.

b1

[REDACTED]

MURIEL reported that on Jan. 17 on Station WBAI, there was to be a State of the Union day in which guest speakers would appear all day long and willing to answer any questions from those phoning in. She showed the announced program and proposed that HELEN try to get on the program and then Committee members could phone in and ask questions which would be good publicity. HELEN looked over the program and said that she wouldn't need to appear when there were already five Committee friends listed. She thought she would contact them and send them the latest material so they could get together and then friends could call in and ask questions they would be prepared to answer. RUSS NIXON was one name HELEN mentioned.

FILE # 100-109849

SUBJECT HELEN SOBELL

SERIAL 1402 DATE 3-1-65

CONSISTING OF 2 PAGES

is exempt from disclosure, in its entirety, under (b)(7)(D) as information contained in this serial would identify an informant to whom an expressed promise of confidentiality has been given. This information includes dates and places of meetings which were attended by a limited number of people known to the informant and/or information from these meetings and situations in which an informant was in close contact with members of these organizations, disclosure of which would reveal his identity.

FILE # 100-109849

SUBJECT HELEN SOBELL

SERIAL 1403 DATE 1.5.65

CONSISTING OF 6 PAGES OF WHICH
PAGES ~~2~~ 3, 4, + 5

are exempt from disclosure, in its entirety,
under (b)(1) as it has been classified pursuant
to Executive Order 11652 as it contains
information which would disclose an intelligence
source. This serial bears the Classification
Officers number [REDACTED]

ck

OFFICE MEMORANDUM *** UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-41648) DATE: 1/5/65
FROM: SA [REDACTED] b7c
SUBJECT: COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
FOR MORTON SOBELL
IS-C

| SOURCE | ACTIVITY | RECEIVED | AGENT | LOCATION |
|---------------|------------|---------------|--------|--------------------|
| [REDACTED] b1 | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] b1 | Writer | [REDACTED] (WR) b7 |

Informant's report is quoted as follows:

- 1 - Kansas City - REGISTERED
100- (MORTON SOBELL)
- 2 - New York - REGISTERED
✓ 100-109849 (HELEN SOBELL)
100- (ROSE SOBELL)

CC: [REDACTED]

b1

100-109849-1403

| | |
|----------------|---------|
| SEARCHED | INDEXED |
| SERIALIZED | FILED |
| JAN 5 1965 | |
| FBI - NEW YORK | |

CEW/mkd
(24) mld Read by CEW

b7c

B1

LA 100-41648

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

"An advertisement placed by the Sobell Committee appeared in the December 16 editions of the WAXMAN publications, six community newspapers, some of which are Los Angeles Reporter, Wilshire Reporter, La Brea Reporter, etc. ROSE SOBELL and SOPHIE DAVIDSON attempted to place the ad in the Los Angeles Times, but were refused unless all persons whose names appear on the committee's letterhead submit notarized permission for publication of the ad. It was felt this was a runaround. An attempt will be made to have the ad placed in the Los Angeles

100-109849-1403

APPENDIX

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL

A source advised on May 12, 1964, that the Los Angeles Sobell Committee is the Los Angeles, California affiliate of captioned organization.

Following the execution of atomic spies ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG in June, 1953, the "Communist campaign assumed a different emphasis. Its major effort centered upon MORTON SOBELL," the ROSENBERGS' codefendant. The National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg case - a Communist front which had been conducting the campaign in the United States - was reconstituted as the National Rosenberg-Sobell Committee at a conference in Chicago in October, 1953 and "then as the National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell in the Rosenberg Case."

("Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications" dated December 1, 1961, issued by the House Committee on Un-American Activities, page 116.)

In September, 1954, the name "National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell" appeared on literature issued by the Committee. In March, 1955, the current name, "Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell," first appeared on literature issued by the Committee.

The Address Telephone Directory for the Borough of Manhattan, New York City, as published by the New York Telephone Company on April 16, 1963, lists the "Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell" as being located at 940 Broadway, New York, New York.

VERIFICATION OF INFORMATION ON SECURITY INDEX CARDS

MEMORANDUM RE: SOBELL, HELEN
100-109849

Office File

The following is the most recent place of employment, employment address, and residence address of the above subject as contained on the subject's Security Index Card.

Residence: Apt. 5-B, 30 Charlton Street, New York, New York
 Employment: Staff Member, Committee to Secure Justice for
 Address: Morton Sobell, Room D, 940 Broadway, New York, N.Y.
 Labor Union Affiliation:

Defense Facility: ☐ Yes ☒ NoKey Facility: ☐ Yes ☒ NoDetcom ☐ Yes ☐ NoPhoto ☐ Yes ☐ No

It is requested that the place of employment, address of employment, residence address of the subject, as well as the accuracy of the priority tabbing, be verified and the proper notations be made below. The absence of a photograph and posting of [redacted] should be noted and efforts made to secure a photograph and determine the existence of a criminal record. b7c

A physical description based on personal observation of the subject appears in serial

Residence: Same

Method of Verification: (1) [redacted] b7c

Neighborhood Source: [redacted] observed

Date: 3/31/65

Verified by SA: [redacted] b7c

Employment:

Address:

Labor Union Affiliation:

Date Checked

Geographical Reference Number

Key Facility: ☐ Yes ☒ NoDefense Facility: ☐ Yes ☒ NoTab Detcom: ☒ Yes ☐ No

Method of Verification: Called CSIMS

Employment Source: [redacted] b7c

Date: 3/31/65

Verified by SA: [redacted] b7c

FD-122 should be submitted to Bureau ☒ Yes ☐ NoA letterhead memorandum should be submitted to the Bureau and Secret Service ☐ Yes ☒ No

File Reviewed - 3/31/65

☒ Subject Meets SI Criteria☐ Does not Meet SI Criteria

Agent's Initials: [signature]

Date: 3/31/65

100-109849-1704

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, New York (100-109849)

DATE: 3/18/65

FROM : [REDACTED] b7c

SUBJECT: HELEN LEVITOV SOBELL aka
SM-C

Subject is on SI and last report is dated
5/6/64. An Annual investigative report will
be due.

Case is pending and assigned to SA [REDACTED]

b7c

100-109849-1405

(file)

| | |
|----------------|---------|
| SEARCHED | INDEXED |
| SERIALIZED | FILED |
| MAR 18 1965 | |
| FBI - NEW YORK | |

[REDACTED] b7c

FILE # 100-109849

SUBJECT HELEN SOBELL

SERIAL

1406

DATE

3-18-65

CONSISTING OF

2

PAGES

is exempt from disclosure, in its entirety,
under (b)(1) as it has been classified pursuant
to Executive Order 11652 as it contains
information which would disclose an intelligence
source. This serial bears the Classification
Officers number [REDACTED]

FILE # 100-109849

SUBJECT HELEN SOBELL

SERIAL 1409 DATE 4.8.65

CONSISTING OF 2 PAGES

is exempt from disclosure, in its entirety,
under (b)(1) as it has been classified pursuant
to Executive Order 11652 as it contains
information which would disclose an intelligence
source. This serial bears the Classification
Officers number [REDACTED]

FILE # 100-109849

SUBJECT HELEN SOBELL

SERIAL 1410 DATE 4.8.65

CONSISTING OF 2 PAGES

is exempt from disclosure, in its entirety,
under (b)(1) as it has been classified pursuant
to Executive Order 11652 as it contains
information which would disclose an intelligence
source. This serial bears the Classification
Officers number [REDACTED]

FILE # 100-109849

SUBJECT HELEN SOBELL

SERIAL

1411

DATE

4. 20. 65

CONSISTING OF

2

PAGES

is exempt from disclosure, in its entirety,
under (b)(1) as it has been classified pursuant
to Executive Order 11652 as it contains
information which would disclose an intelligence
source. This serial bears the Classification
Officers number [REDACTED]

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, NY (100-109849)

DATE: 4/30/65

FROM : SA [REDACTED] 332 (P)
b7c

SUBJECT: HELEN SOBELL
SM - C

[REDACTED] advised 4/2/65 that subject continues to be active in the affairs of the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell. b7d

Records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York, NYC, reviewed by IC [REDACTED] on 4/21/65, contained no derogatory information regarding subject. b7c

The writer is presently preparing an annual investigative report concerning subject, to be submitted by 5/15/65.

(100-109849)

CWM

(1)

100-109849-1412

(SM #332 4/30)

Cwm



NY-142

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-107111) (41) DATE: 4/16/65

FROM: SA [REDACTED] b7c (#41)

SUBJECT: SOBELL COMMITTEE
IS-C

The information on the attached FD-302 was furnished on a confidential basis. The source no longer has custody of the basic documents from which the check information was obtained. The source has furnished reliable information in the past.

The information on the FD-302 was made available by:
[REDACTED] Chemical Bank New York
Trust Co., 154 5th Ave., NYC. b7d

The original longhand of the FD-302 is maintained as an attachment to this memorandum in captioned case file, serial 100-107111-5769

1 - New York (100-109849) (HELEN SOBELL) (45)
1 - New York (100-[REDACTED]) (47) b7d
1 - New York (100-[REDACTED]) (46)

AEC:nbc
(4)

100-109849-1414

| | |
|-----------------|--------------|
| SEARCHED..... | INDEXED..... |
| SERIALIZED..... | FILED..... |
| APR 16 1965 | |
| FBI - NEW YORK | |

b7c

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date March 29, 1965

A review of the bank account of the Sobell Committee reflected the following checks among those drawn:

| <u>Check #</u> | <u>Date</u> | <u>Payee</u> | <u>Amount</u> | <u>Bank of Deposit and/or Endorser</u> |
|----------------|-------------|--------------|---------------|--|
|----------------|-------------|--------------|---------------|--|

| | | | | |
|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |
| [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] |

b7d

The above information is not to be made public without the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum.

The person to be subpoenaed is [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Chemical Bank New York Trust Co., [REDACTED]

b7d

On 3/29/65 at New York File # 100-107111

by SA [REDACTED] nbc Date dictated 3/29/65

b7c

11/26/65
SAC, NEW YORK (100-107111)

4/27/65

SA [REDACTED] (41) b7c

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL
IS-C

The following item appeared in the "Morning Freiheit" of April 14, 1965, on page 8, columns 4-5:

New Morton Sobell Appeal To The Government For Parole

News was received during the past few days that Morton Sobell, who was sentenced to 30 years in jail during the McCarthy years on the fabricated charge of espionage, - is now appealing to the government to be freed.

Sobell has already served almost half of the 30-year term. He served for over five years in gruesome Alcatraz Prison in California.

Sobell's appeal is to the Department of Justice. In response to the appeal by William Kunstler, Sobell's lawyer, to the Department of Justice for a pardon for Sobell, the lawyer received forms from the Department of Justice for an appeal for a pardon of the remainder of the sentence.

Mrs. Helen Sobell, wife of Morton Sobell, stated that she received a letter from Reed Kozart, Justice Department Pardon Lawyer, that Sobell's appeal for a pardon would be forwarded to the chief U.S. lawyer and to the Judge who sentenced Sobell, for both of them to state their position on the petition.

Mrs. Sobell stated that her husband still insists that he is innocent and that he was convicted without cause in the cold war atmosphere.

Sobell is now in the Lewisburgh Penitentiary, in Pennsylvania.

- 1-New York-100-21 (MORNING FREIHEIT) (41)
- 1-New York-100-109849 (HELEN SOBELL) (45)
- 1-New York

FHS:rg
(3)

100-109849-1415
SEARCHED INDEXED
SERIALIZED FILED

APR 27 1965
FBI - NEW YORK
[REDACTED] b7c

FILE # 100-109849

SUBJECT HELEN SOBELL

SERIAL 1416 DATE 4-28-65

CONSISTING OF 2 PAGES

is exempt from disclosure, in its entirety, under (b)(7)(D) as information contained in this serial would identify an informant to whom an expressed promise of confidentiality has been given. This information includes dates and places of meetings which were attended by a limited number of people known to the informant and/or information from these meetings and situations in which an informant was in close contact with members of these organizations, disclosure of which would reveal his identity.

Bureau 100-387835
New York 100-107111

New York, New York
May 7, 1965

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Committee to Secure Justice
for Morton Sobell

b1
A source, who has furnished reliable information
in the past, advised the following information on May 6, 1965:

[REDACTED] b1

[REDACTED] b1

[REDACTED] b1

A characterization of the CSJM
is attached hereto.

- 6 - Bureau (100-387835)
- 1 - Boston (100-27290)
- 2 - New York (100-107111)
- (1-100-109348)(HELEN SOBELL)(45)

JAH:cag
(10)
rec. internal. None nor conclusions
of the FBI are to be made
from this information
and its contents are

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

| |
|--|
| GROUP 1 |
| Excluded from automatic downgrading and declassification |

1.

APPENDIX

COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL

"Following the execution of atomic spies ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG in June, 1953, the 'Communist campaign assumed a different emphasis. Its major effort centered upon MORTON SOBELL,' the ROSENBERGS' codefendant. The National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case - a Communist front which had been conducting the campaign in the United States - was reconstituted as the National Rosenberg-Sobell Committee at a conference in Chicago in October, 1953, and 'then as the National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell in the Rosenberg Case' . . ."

("Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications" dated December 1, 1961, issued by the House Committee on Un-American Activities, page 116.)


In September, 1954, the name "National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell" appeared on literature issued by the Committee. In March, 1955, the current name, "Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell," first appeared on literature issued by the Committee.

The Address Telephone Directory for the Borough of Manhattan, New York City, as published by the New York Telephone Company on April 20, 1964, lists the "Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell" (CSJMS) as being located at 940 Broadway, New York, New York.

5/7/65

AIRTEL

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-387835)
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-107111)
SUBJECT: COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
FOR MORTON SOBELL
IS - C
INTERNAL SECURITY ACT, 1950

 b1
This LHM is being classified "Confidential" because it contains information which, if disseminated, could reveal the identity of the source, who is of continuing value. This, in turn, could have an adverse effect on the national security interests of the country.

- 3 - Bureau (Encls. 6)
- 1 - Boston (100-27290) (Encl. 1)
- 2 - New York
- ① 100-109845 (HELEN SOBELL) (45)

JAH:cag
(7)

concord into
100-109845
me
100-109845
33
Wm

FILE # 100-109849

SUBJECT HELEN SOBELL

SERIAL 1419 DATE 5-19-65

CONSISTING OF 2 PAGES

is exempt from disclosure, in its entirety,
under (b)(1) as it has been classified pursuant
to Executive Order 11652 as it contains
information which would disclose an intelligence
source. This serial bears the Classification
Officers number [REDACTED]

Routing Slip
0-7 (Rev. 3-9-65)

(Copies to Offices Checked)

TO: SAC,

☐ Albany
☐ Albuquerque
☐ Anchorage
☐ Atlanta
☐ Baltimore
☐ Birmingham
☐ Boston
☐ Buffalo
☐ Butte
☐ Charlotte
☐ Chicago
☐ Cincinnati
☐ Cleveland
☐ Dallas
☐ Denver
☐ Detroit
☐ El Paso
☐ Honolulu

☐ Houston
☐ Indianapolis
☐ Jackson
☐ Jacksonville
☐ Kansas City
☐ Knoxville
☐ Las Vegas
☐ Little Rock
☐ Los Angeles
☐ Louisville
☐ Memphis
☐ Miami
☐ Milwaukee
☐ Minneapolis
☐ Mobile
☐ Newark
☐ New Haven
☐ New Orleans

☒ New York City
☐ Norfolk
☐ Oklahoma City
☐ Omaha
☐ Philadelphia
☐ Phoenix
☐ Pittsburgh
☐ Portland
☐ Richmond
☐ St. Louis
☐ Salt Lake City
☐ San Antonio
☐ San Diego
☐ San Francisco
☐ San Juan
☐ Savannah
☐ Seattle
☐ Springfield

☐ Tampa
☐ Washington Field
☐ Quantico

TO LEGAT:

☐ Bern
☐ Bonn
☐ Buenos Aires
☐ London
☐ Manila
☐ Mexico, D.F.
☐ Ottawa
☐ Paris
☐ Rome
☐ Rio de Janeiro
☐ Tokyo

Date 6/14/65

RE:

HELEN LEVITOV SOBELL
SH - C

☐ For information ☐ Retention optional ☒ For appropriate action ☐ Surep, by _____
☐ The enclosed is for your information. If used in a future report, ☐ conceal all sources, ☐ paraphrase contents.
☐ Enclosed are corrected pages from report of SA _____ dated _____

Remarks:

Disseminate urep 6/2/65 and photo to Secret Service locally and forward photo to Bureau for dissemination at SOG.

100-109849-1421

SEARCHED INDEXED
SERIALIZED FILED
JUN 18 1965
FBI - NEW YORK

Enc.
Bufile
Urfile

b7c

Done -
Serials
7/15/65
Cum

FILE # 100-109849

SUBJECT HELEN SOBELL

SERIAL 1424 DATE 5.24.65

CONSISTING OF 1 PAGES

is exempt from disclosure, in its entirety,
under (b)(1) as it has been classified pursuant
to Executive Order 11652 as it contains
information which would disclose an intelligence
source. This serial bears the Classification
Officers number [REDACTED]

Over

c

Date: 5/25/65

Identity of Source:

Sobell Committee Cabaret
Night, 5/8/65.

5/11/65

Original Located:

A copy of informant's report follows:

100-109849 (HELEN SOBELL) (45)

(100-109849) (HELEN SOBELL) (45)

(20) 83

b7d

100-109849-1426

Searched..Indexed..
Serialized..Filed..

MAY 25 1965
FBI-NEW YORK

Rec in cor 7-19-

1. The first step is to identify the problem. This involves understanding the situation, gathering information, and defining the problem clearly.

b7c

Date Written 5/9/65

Date of Event: 5/8/65

Event: Sobell Committee cabaret^{ret} at the Hotel Woodstock 127 West
43 Street New York, NY

Number Present: About 250 People

HELEN SOBELL
ROSE SOBELL

Agenda of the Event: First a stage play by the lampooners (2) a Report by MORTON SOBELL Wife on the book Invitation to an Inquest a new look at the ROSENBERG-SOBELL Case by WALTER and MIRIAM GENNEIN She said the envelope and form that the people received at the tables is to make pledge to raise money for the distribution of the book by the following date August and Sept. and Oct 1965 to meet the authors and circulate the book and to contribute money to pay for the distribution of the book to libraries, legislators, and opinion forming community leaders

The Committee to Secure Justice For Morton Sobell
150 Fifth Ave Room 1103, New York 10011

The "National Guardian" of 4/1/65 contained an article which announced a Sobell Cabaret Night, Woodstock Hotel, 127 West 43rd St., Saturday, May 8, 9 PM by the Sobell Committee, 150 Fifth Avenue, NYC.

FILE # 100-109849

SUBJECT Helen Sobell

SERIAL 1427 DATE 5-27-65

CONSISTING OF 7 PAGES

OF WHICH PAGES 1, 2, + 4-7

were exempt from disclosure, in their entirety
under (b)(1) as it has been classified pursuant
to Executive Order 11652 as it contains
information which would disclose an intelligence
source.

b1

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

After the summer gatherings, WALTER and MURIEL will go to Canada in mid-October to talk on the book as Doubleday will have completed the copies in french. Next, they will go abroad. As of now they plan to go first to France. HELEN said this will all be another income for the Committee.

MURIEL asked that she be considered to arrange for and hold a group meeting at her home. HELEN said they would all be given an opportunity to do so.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

STASSEN, KEPHART, SARKIS & OSTOS

LAW OFFICES

1020 FIDELITY-PHILADELPHIA TRUST BUILDING
PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA 19109

May 28, 1965

C
O
P
Y

Mrs. Morton Sobell
150 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York 10011

Dear Mrs. Sobell:

May I acknowledge your letter of April 28th with regard to the forthcoming publication of a book by Walter and Miriam Schneir, and a request for an evaluation of the legal potentialities raised therein.

May I respectfully advise you that our law firm is not engaged in the practice of the type of law which is involved in your inquiry.

Sincerely yours,

Original signed by
HAROLD E. STASSEN

Harold E. Stassen

HES/clb

cc: J. Edgar Hoover

100-109849-N28

| | |
|----------------|---------|
| SEARCHED | INDEXED |
| SERIALIZED | FILED |
| JUN 8 1965 | |
| FBI - NEW YORK | |

b7c

150 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y. 100

Tel: 243-6040

April 28, 1965

Mrs. Morton Sobell
Mrs. Rose Sobell
Chairmen

Mr. Harold Stassen
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Stassen:

HONORARY SPONSORS
(partial listing)

Rev. Gross W. Alexander
Dr. Milnor Alexander
David Andrews
Rabbi J. S. Bass
Helen M. Boardley
Leo Berman
Rabbi Samuel Bernstein
Warren K. Billings
Rabbi Halfour Brickner
A. Burns Chalmers
Harold A. Cranchfield
David Dellinger
Lloyd Donnell
Rev. John E. Evans
Rabbi Morris Fishman
Rev. Kenneth Ripley Forbes
Waldo Frank
Rev. G. Shubert Frye
Rev. Erwin A. Gende
Maxwell Geismar
Rabbi Robert E. Goldburg
Prof. Erwin K. Goodenough
Rabbi Avery Grossfield
Dr. A. Eustace Haydon
Russell Johnson
Rev. John Paul Jones d.
Rev. Joseph P. King
Dr. Paul L. Lehmann
Donald E. J. MacNamara
Daniel G. Marshall
Dr. Leo Mayer
Milton Mayer
Rev. Peter McCormack
Hon. Stanley Mollatt
Dr. Gardner Murphy
Reinhold Niebuhr
Dr. Linus Pauling
Rev. Dryden Wesley Phelps
Prof. Dale Pontius
Howard B. Radest
Prof. Anatol Rapoport
Prof. Oscar K. Rice
Henry Roth
Lord Bertrand Russell
Prof. Malcolm Sharp
Dr. D. R. Sharpe
Sidney Silverman, M.P.
Rev. Francis S. Tucker
Dr. Harold C. Urey
Mrs. Clara M. Vincent
Rabbi Jacob J. Weinstein
Prof. Francis D. Wormuth

My husband, Morton Sobell, is an innocent man who was convicted together with Ethel and Julius Rosenberg in 1951 on a charge of conspiracy to commit espionage. The late Judge Jerome N. Frank of the Second Circuit Court of Appeals dissented from the conviction on the initial appeal. Since that time, despite repeated efforts, to obtain a hearing in the courts, we have been unsuccessful.

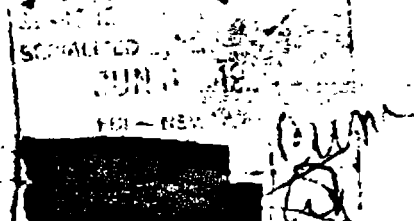
A New book on the case, "Invitation to an Inquest -- a New Look at the Rosenberg-Sobell Case" by Walter and Miriam Schneir, is being published by Doubleday on August the 20th. It would be very important to us to have an independent legal evaluation of the new evidence presented in this book. We would like very much to retain you for the purpose of presenting us with an evaluation of the legal potentialities raised. The galley of the book would be available immediately.

Would you be good enough to reply either to me at the above address or to our attorneys, Kunstler and Kinoy, 511 Fifth Ave, New York City, letting us know if you can accept our proposal and what your fee for such a service would be.

Very sincerely yours,

Helen Sobell
(Mrs. Morton Sobell)

100-109849-429



These Nobel laureates have asked for Morton Sobell's freedom:

Emily Balch

Dr. Burris Cunningham

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Dr. Linus Pauling

Clarence Pickett d.

Dr. Harold C. Urey

HAROLD E. STASSEN
1020 FIDELITY-PHILADELPHIA TRUST BUILDING
PHILADELPHIA 6, PENNSYLVANIA

(Kinsey 8-7468)

Confidential

May 28, 1965

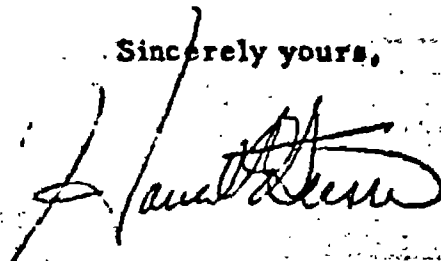
Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D.C.

Dear Director Hoover:

For your information may I advise you of the
self explanatory contents of the enclosed letter and
reply.

With personal best wishes, as ever,


Sincerely yours,



HES/clb
Enclosures

100-109849-1430

| | |
|--------------------|---------|
| SEARCHED | INDEXED |
| SERIALIZED | FILED |
| JUN 2 1965 | |
| FBI - PHILADELPHIA | |



June 3, 1965

Honorable Harold E. Stassen
Stassen, Kephart, Barkis and Kostos
1020 Fidelity-Philadelphia Trust Building
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19109

Dear Mr. Stassen:

Your letter of May 28th, with enclosures,
has been received, and I want to thank you for your
thoughtfulness in writing as well as your kind sentiments.

It was certainly good of you to furnish
this material to me, and I appreciate it.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

- ① - New York - Enclosures (3)
1 - Philadelphia - Enclosures (3)

Rec in ser 7-19

100-109849-1431

| | |
|----------------|---------|
| SEARCHED | INDEXED |
| SERIALIZED | FILED |
| JUN 5 1965 | |
| FBI - NEW YORK | |

67c 7.

FILE # 100-109849

SUBJECT HELEN SOBELL

SERIAL 1432 DATE 6-14-65

CONSISTING OF 1 PAGES

is exempt from disclosure, in its entirety,
under (b)(1) as it has been classified pursuant
to Executive Order 11652 as it contains
information which would disclose an intelligence
source. This serial bears the Classification
Officers number [REDACTED]

FILE # 100-109849

SUBJECT HELEN SOBELL

SERIAL 1433 **DATE** 6.15.65

CONSISTING OF 1 **PAGES**

is exempt from disclosure, in its entirety,
under (b)(1) as it has been classified pursuant
to Executive Order 11652 as it contains
information which would disclose an intelligence
source. This serial bears the Classification
Officers number [REDACTED]

FILE # 100-109849

SUBJECT HELEN SOBELL

SERIAL 1434 DATE 6.15.65

CONSISTING OF 3 PAGES

is exempt from disclosure, in its entirety,
under (b)(1) as it has been classified pursuant
to Executive Order 11652 as it contains
information which would disclose an intelligence
source. This serial bears the Classification
Officers number [REDACTED]

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, NY (100 - 109849)

DATE: 6/16/65

FROM : SA [REDACTED] b7c

SUBJECT: HELEN LEVITOV SOBELL
SM-C
(OO: NY)

Re report of the writer dated
6/2/65, captioned as above.

It is requested that a xerox
copy be made of referenced report
for dissemination to the NY office of
the Secret Service.

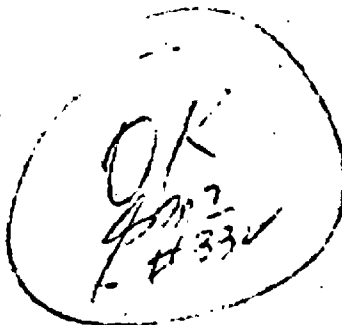
1 - 100-109849

done
6-16-65

(11/11)

(1)

Re in m 7-19



100-109849-1435

Curt



FILE # 100-109849

SUBJECT HELEN SOBELL

SERIAL 1434 DATE 6-18-65

CONSISTING OF 7 PAGES

is exempt from disclosure, in its entirety,
under (b)(1) as it has been classified pursuant
to Executive Order 11652 as it contains
information which would disclose an intelligence
source. This serial bears the Classification
Officers number [REDACTED]

FILE # 100-109849

SUBJECT HELEN SOBELL

SERIAL

1437

DATE

6.22.65

CONSISTING OF

3

PAGES

is exempt from disclosure, in its entirety, under (b)(1) as it has been classified pursuant to Executive Order 11652 as it contains information which would disclose an intelligence source. This serial bears the Classification Officers number [REDACTED]

FILE # 100-109849

SUBJECT HELEN SOBELL

SERIAL 1438 DATE 6 22 65

CONSISTING OF 3 PAGES

is exempt from disclosure, in its entirety,
under (b)(1) as it has been classified pursuant
to Executive Order 11652 as it contains
information which would disclose an intelligence
source. This serial bears the Classification
Officers number [REDACTED]

FILE # 100-109849

SUBJECT HELEN SOBELL

SERIAL 1439 **DATE** 6-29-65

CONSISTING OF 3 **PAGES**

is exempt from disclosure, in its entirety,
under (b)(1) as it has been classified pursuant
to Executive Order 11652 as it contains
information which would disclose an intelligence
source. This serial bears the Classification
Officers number [REDACTED]

DATE:

7/13/65 CL

| | | |
|--|--|--|
| Date received 6/21/65 | Received from (name or symbol number) b7d (Reliable-Conceal) | Received by SA [REDACTED] b7c |
| Method of delivery (check appropriate blocks) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in person <input type="checkbox"/> by telephone <input type="checkbox"/> by mail <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> orally <input type="checkbox"/> recording device <input type="checkbox"/> written by informant | | |
| If orally furnished and reduced to writing by Agent: Dictated <u>6/24/65</u> to <u>[REDACTED] b7c</u> Transcribed <u>6/29/65</u> Authenticated by Informant <u>6/30/65</u> | | Date of Report 6/21/65 Date(s) of activity 6/17/65 |
| Brief description of activity or material <u>Rally at the Sheraton Atlantic Hotel,</u> <u>6/17/65, for MORTON SOBELL.</u> | | File where original is located if not attached <u>[REDACTED] b7d</u> |

Remarks:

- 1 - **[REDACTED] b7d**
 1 - **[REDACTED] (46)**
 1 - **100-33572 (NATIONAL GUARDIAN) (41)**
 1 - **100-109849 (HELEN SOBELL, wife of MORTON SOBELL) (3,2)**
 1 - **100-123869 (ROSE SOBELL, Mother of MORTON SOBELL) (46)**
 1 - **100-107111 (COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL) (41)**

JER:KAP
(6)

Block Stamp

100-109849-1440

| | |
|----------------|---------|
| SEARCHED | INDEXED |
| SERIALIZED | FILED |
| JUL 13 1965 | |
| FBI - NEW YORK | |

[REDACTED] b7c

NY 100-107111

6/21/65

On Thursday evening, 6/17/65, a rally sponsored by the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell was held at the Sheraton Atlantic Hotel, New York City. SOBELL's wife and mother both spoke and asked for a continuance of the Sobell Committee and stated that as long as the war in Viet Nam continues, SOBELL will stay in jail.

This rally was attended by approximately 300 people and entertainment was provided. The main purpose of the rally was to push a book, "Invitation to an Inquest", and the authors of the book, a man and his wife, stated at the rally that the book will reopen the SOBELL case.

JANE MC MANUS from the "National Guardian" was observed in attendance at this rally.

AMALTA CRACCO

Believed to be organizer for the [REDACTED] Party [REDACTED] in Albany, N.Y., in 1954. Basis of this opinion was subject's awareness of CP issues, her leadership position, frequent contact with CP leaders from New York City. [REDACTED] b7c

4/28/54, [REDACTED] b7c

In opinion of source, subject was the organizer of the [REDACTED] Party [REDACTED] in Albany area. b7c

5/13/54, [REDACTED] b7c

[REDACTED] advised in 1953 that subject was a prominent figure in [REDACTED] activities at Albany from 1938 to 1948. b7c

(OVER)

154-13861-100
100-109849-1441
SEARCHED INDEXED
SERIALIZED FILED
JUN 25 1955
FBI - NEW YORK

ALICE GOLDBERG

On 12/10/47, NHT- [redacted] advised that ALICE W. GOLDBERG, was a member of the [redacted] Party [redacted] at New Haven, Conn., at that time. b7c

Source: Former [redacted] b7d

SA [redacted] 6/63.

b7c

100-109849-1442

| | |
|----------------|---------|
| SEARCHED | INDEXED |
| SERIALIZED | FILED |
| JUN 25 1955 | |
| FBI - NEW YORK | |

[Handwritten signature]

WILLARD, JOSEPHINE ANTOINETTE

CP MEMBER

10-10-55. b7d

CP MEETING

1953. b7d

SA [REDACTED] 7-58.

b7c

b7c

100-109849-81443
SEARCHED INDEXED
SERIALIZED FILED

JUN 25 1955

FBI-NEW YORK

EMMA DAVIS

NH

b7c

A source advised on January 14, 1955, that he believed EMMA DAVIS to be a member of the [redacted] Party [redacted], and based this opinion on statements made by DAVIS in support of the CP line and her participation in various CP front groups. b7c

A second source advised on October 21, 1959, that EMMA DAVIS is very sympathetic to Communism and is "active" in CP affairs, however, remains on the "side-lines". This source said that EMMA DAVIS would definitely help the CP cause if the need arose.

(1st source: Former [redacted])

(2nd source: [redacted])

b7d

SA

9/84. b7c

100-109849-1748

| | |
|----------------|---------|
| SEARCHED | INDEXED |
| SERIALIZED | FILED |
| JUN 26 1955 | |
| FBI - NEW YORK | |

WJW

On December 13, 1954, [redacted] stated that DAVIS was then a member of the [redacted] Party, and adhered to the CP line over an extended period of time and was apparently loyal to CP principles. b7c

[redacted] b7d
who was a member of the CP from December 1952, until March 1955, had voluntarily furnished information to the FBI from May 1951, to January 1956.

On October 19, 1959, a source, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that DAVIS had been giving financial, moral and other support to the Communist cause for a long time and was very sympathetic to the Communist cause. According to the source, DAVIS was active "on the sidelines" in connection with activity of the CP.

(Source: [redacted] b7d

SA [redacted] 9/64 b7c

100-109845-8445
SEARCHED INDEXED
SERIALIZED FILED
JUN 25 1965
FBI - NEW YORK
b7c

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-109849)
FROM: SAC, NEW HAVEN (100-17767) (RUC)
SUBJECT: HELEN SOBELL
SM - C
OO: NY

DATE: 6/23/65

[REDACTED] who can be characterized as a source who has furnished reliable information in the past, and whose identity should be concealed at his request, furnished the following information to SA [REDACTED] orally. b7c

LOUIS ZEMEL is treasurer of Zemel Brothers, Inc., which corporation operates Powder Hill Ski and Cabana Area, Powder Hill Rd., Middlefield, Connecticut, a winter resort and summer recreation area. ZEMEL resides in one of the cabanas at Powder Hill Ski Area.

[REDACTED] On that evening at about 6:00 pm, he gave a buffet supper party to honor HELEN SOBELL at the Ski Area. There were about 25 persons invited.

3 - New York (RM) (Encs. 7)
(2 100-109849)
(1 100-107111 (Comm. to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL)

8 - New Haven
1 100-17767 (HELEN SOBELL)
1 100-[REDACTED]
1 100-14203 (Comm to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL)

1 100-[REDACTED]
1 100-[REDACTED]
1 100-[REDACTED]
1 100-[REDACTED]
1 100-[REDACTED]

WHB:md (11)

100-109849-1446
SEARCHED INDEXED
SERIALIZED FILED
JUN 24 1965
FBI - NEW YORK

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] b7d, u

Source advised that after the supper ZEMEL introduced HELEN SOBELL, who gave a talk. She talked about a new book which is about to be published which contains new evidence favorable to her husband, MORTON SOBELL. She declared that he is innocent of the crime for which he is imprisoned and that he is earning 19¢ per hour in prison. She said she and LOUIS ZEMEL had met in New York City two weeks ago to discuss this new book. She added that she desires this book to be distributed to libraries throughout the country and to "those people who want to be informed." She then stated that although her husband is eligible for parole, "they won't give him a parole."

Source stated that she then passed out a six-page booklet, about 5" x 8", which concerned the "facts" of the SOBELL-ROSENBERG trial. She also passed out a flyer issued by the Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL, dated 5/24/65, and a reprint from the "New York Times" dated 3/21/65 entitled "Wife Still Seeks Sobell Freedom". This flyer and reprint are being enclosed for New York City.

Source advised that ZEMEL then took orders for this book which is to sell for \$5.95 and collected about \$150.00. Source said the party broke up about 8:00 pm.

Photographs were shown to source and he identified the following persons present at the buffet: [REDACTED] b7c

Xerox copies containing characterizations of the above five individuals are being sent to New York as enclosures to this

NH 100-17767

letter. New York already has a complete characterization of
LOUIS ZEMEL.)



b7d

SAC, NEW YORK (100-107111)(41)

7/13/65

SA [REDACTED] (45) b7c

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL
IS-C

Identity of Source: [REDACTED] b7d

Description of Info: CSJMS Memorial Meeting to
the ROSEBERGS 6/17/55.

Date Received: 6/20/55

Original Located: [REDACTED] b7d

A copy of informant's report follows:

1 - New York [REDACTED] b7d
1 - New York (100-109849) (HELEN SOBELL) (41)
1 - New York (100-109849) (HELEN SOBELL)
1 - New York (100-107111) (41)

JFM:tnl
(4)

100-109849 1447
SEARCHED INDEXED
SERIALIZED FILED

JUL 13 1965

FBI - NEW YORK
[REDACTED] b7c

June 29, 1965

On the evening of June 17, 1965, the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell held a memorial meeting to the ROSENBERGS at the Sheraton-Atlantic Hotel, 34th Street and Broadway, New York, N.Y.

About 200 people attended. Among the speakers were the wife and mother of MORTON SOBELL who called for continued efforts to obtain his release from prison.

SAC, NEW YORK (100-107111)

6/30/65

SA [REDACTED] (45) b7c

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
FOR MORTON SOBELL
IS - C

Identity of Source

Description of Info

[REDACTED] b7d
Rosenberg Memorial
meeting sponsored by
CSJMS, 6/17/65

Date Received

6/24/65

Original Located

A copy of informant's report follows:

1- [REDACTED] (45) b7d
1- [REDACTED] (424)
1- [REDACTED] (424)
1-100-123850 (MORTON SOBELL) (45)
1- [REDACTED]
1- [REDACTED] (424)
1-100- [REDACTED] (SIDNEY SOBELL)
1-100-109649 (ELEN SOBELL)
1-100-107111 (41)

JPH:bak
(13)

100-109649-1448
Searched... Indexed...
Serialized... Filed...

JUNE 30, 1965
FBI-NEW YORK

[REDACTED] b7c

June 23, 1965
New York, N. Y.

The Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL held a memorial meeting to the ROSENBERG's at the Sheraton Atlantic Hotel, 39th Street & Broadway, New York City on Thurs, June 17, 1965. The meeting started at about 7:15. The audience was from 200 hundred to 250 people. The majority were older women. Upon entering each member of the audience was given a rose and a brochure for a new book about the ROSENBERG case titled "Invitation to an Inquest" by WALTER & MIRIAM SCHNEIR to be published by Doubleday.

The master of ceremonies was YURE SEVEL (Phonetic). After a brief talk he introduced ROSE SOBELL, mother of MORTON SOBELL.

Next on the program was a group of songs by BEATRICE RIPPPI, a colored singer and CAROLE HOLLISTER an accompanist. The group of about 9 songs was broken up by a flute solo by DOTTIE WEISS.

YURI introduced WILL RUBIN of the National Guardian in the audience. RUBIN was the author of a book on the ROSENBERG case. VIRGINIA GARDNER also was introduced.

SIDNEY SOBELL, a daughter of MORTON was on the platform.

HELEN SOBELL, wife of MORTON, was the last speaker. HELEN SOBELL asked the members of the audience to by the above referred to book and to make a contribution on the way out.

After YURI introduced WILL RUBIN, MIRIAM SCHNEIR then ARTHUR SCHNEIR were introduced and each gave a small talk concerning the ROSENBERG-SOBELL case. Basically a comparison to the DREYFUS case.

The memorial meeting ended at about 9:15

P.S.

.....

Information contained herein was furnished
the Bureau by New York airtel 6/21/65, captioned,
"CSJMS; IS - C".

FILE # 100-109849

SUBJECT HELEN SOBELL

SERIAL 1449 DATE 7-20-65

CONSISTING OF 3 PAGES

is exempt from disclosure, in its entirety,
under (b)(1) as it has been classified pursuant
to Executive Order 11652 as it contains
information which would disclose an intelligence
source. This serial bears the Classification
Officers number [REDACTED]

FILE # 100-109849

SUBJECT HELEN SOBELL

SERIAL 1450 **DATE** 7-29-65

CONSISTING OF 2 **PAGES**

is exempt from disclosure, in its entirety,
under (b)(1) as it has been classified pursuant
to Executive Order 11652 as it contains
information which would disclose an intelligence
source. This serial bears the Classification
Officers number [REDACTED]

FILE #

100-109849

SUBJECT

HELEN SOBELL

SERIAL

1451

DATE

7-26-65

CONSISTING OF

5

PAGES

is exempt from disclosure, in its entirety,
under (b)(1) as it has been classified pursuant
to Executive Order 11652 as it contains
information which would disclose an intelligence
source. This serial bears the Classification
Officers number [REDACTED]

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
New Haven 10, Connecticut**

August 6, 1965

**NEW HAVEN - YALE COMMITTEE
FOR PEACE IN VIET NAM**

Reference is made to the memorandum dated July 16, 1965, at New Haven, Connecticut, entitled as above.

Individuals and organizations mentioned in this memorandum are characterized in the appendix where available.

On August 2, 1965, a source advised that a rally calling for peace in Viet Nam was held at the Powder Hill Ski Area, Middlefield, Connecticut, on August 1, 1965. This source estimated that approximately two thousand people were in attendance at this rally. The source said a Minister, name unknown, from the Christ Church in New Haven, Connecticut, was Master of Ceremonies at this rally and introduced JEROME DAVIS and ANTONIA CRAGO as the individuals who organized the rally and made it possible for the program to be held.

The Master of Ceremonies then introduced two members of the Chad Mitchell Trio who sang several songs, one of which claimed the United States had "Saigonorrhea."

The next speaker was A. J. MUSTE, who claimed that the Chinese Communists wanted peace and though it may be hard for the United States to understand, CHOU EN LAI actually meant it when he said the Chinese exploded the atom bomb for peace.

100-109849-1452

| | |
|----------------|---------|
| SEARCHED | INDEXED |
| SERIALIZED | FILED |
| AUG 6 1965 | |
| FBI - NEW YORK | |

331

[Signature]

RE: NEW HAVEN - YALE COMMITTEE
FOR PEACE IN VIET NAM

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

According to this source, NANCY GITLIN, who attended a conference in Jakarta, was the next speaker and spoke concerning the role of women in the National Liberation Front and how the women in South Viet Nam were talking their husbands and sons into deserting the Army and how "wonderfully successful" they were in this regard. GITLIN said she represented the National Liberation Front in this country and said the United States was imposing hardships on the people of Viet Nam by aerial bombings and the destruction of bridges, etc., which might result in the starvation of large numbers of people.

This source said ROBERT L. HERBERT, a Professor at Yale University, gave figures on the tremendous cost of the war in Viet Nam and buckets were passed through the audience to collect money for the "fight for peace."

The source said MORRIS CARNOVSKY, Shakespearean actor, read a few poems and recited lines from the play "King Lear."

This source stated that NORMAN THOMAS was the next speaker and he called upon President JOHNSON to call an immediate cease-fire in Viet Nam. He said there is a terrible danger of escalation of the war in Viet Nam and that the United States' world image is suffering because of the role we are playing in that country. THOMAS said that everyone present should write to President JOHNSON and tell him exactly how they feel about the war in Viet Nam.

This source stated that among those in attendance at this affair were [REDACTED] b7d

On August 3, 1965, a second source substantiated the above information and added that the Master of Ceremonies at this rally was the Reverend WADE EATON, Pastor of Christ Church, 84 Broadway, New Haven, Connecticut, and son-in-law of Senator WAYNE MOPSE of Oregon. This source stated that tickets for this rally were priced \$1.00 and \$5.00, the \$5.00 tickets for those who desired to make a contribution in addition to the \$1.00 admission-charge.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

**RE: NEW HAVEN - YALE COMMITTEE
FOR PEACE IN VIET NAM**

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

This source said that Professor ROBERT HERBERT of Yale University requested contributions from those present and it was announced that \$800 had been collected. It was also announced that anyone desiring to mail contributions to the New Haven - Yale Committee for Peace in Viet Nam could do so by sending it in care of CRAGO, 640 Elm Street, New Haven, Connecticut. This source further stated that following the remarks by NORMAN THOMAS, some unidentified individual contributed another \$200 and it was announced that total contributions for the evening amounted to \$1,000.

This source stated the rally was closed with those present singing "We Shall Overcome" with a musical accompaniment by two members of the Chad Mitchell Trio.

An article appearing in the August 2, 1965, issue of the "New Haven Journal Courier," a morning newspaper published at New Haven, Connecticut, entitled, "Thomas Offers Viet Pullout Plan," set forth in part, "United States policy in Viet Nam came under heavy fire here (Middlefield, Connecticut) Sunday night at a 'speak-out' rally at the Powder Hill Ski resort.

"Norman Thomas, six-time presidential aspirant on the Socialist Party ticket, offered a two-point program for 'getting out' of South Viet Nam and ending the current conflict. Other speakers, including pacifist A. J. Muste and Yale Professor Staughton Lynd, echoed Thomas' sentiments.

"The rally was picketed by members of the Connecticut Citizens Anti-Communist Committee, a group which supports United States involvement in the Vietnamese war.

"Earlier Sunday, a spokesman for the Connecticut Citizens Anti-Communist Committee announced that the group had asked the House Committee on Un-American Activities to investigate such groups as the New Haven - Yale Committee for Peace in Viet Nam, a sponsor of the rally.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

**RE: NEW HAVEN - YALE COMMITTEE
FOR PEACE IN VIET NAM**

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

"Thomas called for an immediate cease-fire in South Viet Nam and called on President Johnson to begin negotiations with the Viet Cong. He urged the President to stop all bombing and troop movements at once.

"The former Socialist candidate urged that such a cease-fire should be supervised by an international force of neutral nations according to the provisions of the 1954 Geneva Agreement.

"Thomas told the crowd of more than 1,000 'the United States is trying to do what can't be done, for even if we win it won't be for long.' He referred to the Vietnamese conflict as 'a hollow war.'

"Dr. Muste, National Chairman of the Committee for Non-Violent Action, said he favored the United States' 'unconditional withdrawal' from South Viet Nam.

"Our Asian policy of interference antagonizes the Asian people,' Muste argued. He said withdrawal 'would open negotiations between the Saigon government and the Viet Cong.'

"Even if the Saigon government collapses,' Muste continued, 'unification under Ho Chi Minh's government would probably result in a Titoist form of government.'

"Lynd, an Assistant Professor of History at Yale, who announced last April that he would not pay his income tax in protest against American involvement in Viet Nam, appealed for unity at the rally.

"This gathering,' he said, 'is composed of representatives of many different groups that should minimize their differences and work together to achieve their common goal.'

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

RE: NEW HAVEN - YALE COMMITTEE
FOR PEACE IN VIET NAM

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

"While the rally was in progress, the Connecticut Citizens Anti-Communist Committee pickets continued to march. E. J. McCallum, Chairman of the Committee, charged 'all of the hard-core leftists in the State are here tonight. What they're preaching is treason and they are calling for a mental surrender.'"

This article also set forth that the Reverend WILLIAM SLOANE COFFIN, JR., Chaplain of Yale University, gave the invocation and the Chad Mitchell Trio entertained with folk songs.

An article appearing in the August 2, 1965, edition of the "New Haven Register," a daily newspaper published at New Haven, Connecticut, entitled, "1,500 Attend Viet Peace Rally," set forth that "Socialist Norman Thomas" told an audience of more than 1,500 people at a rally at Middlefield, Connecticut, on Sunday night, August 1, 1965, that there must be an immediate cease-fire in Viet Nam. According to this article, THOMAS proposed a three-point plan to end American involvement in Viet Nam. The first step of THOMAS' plan would be a cease-fire under conditions which would assure civil order followed by negotiations with both the North Vietnamese and the Viet Cong gorillas. The final step of this plan would be a complete withdrawal of all foreign troops from Vietnamese soil.

This article also set forth that while THOMAS and other speakers made their remarks, a group of about fifty pickets paraded outside the Powder Hill Ski Area and termed those at the rally "traitors." The article stated the picketers included members of the Citizens Anti-Communist Committee of Connecticut and members of the Young Americans for Freedom.

On August 2, 1965, [REDACTED] Middlefield, Connecticut, advised b7d that the rally held at the Powder Hill Ski area, Middlefield, Connecticut, on the evening of August 1, 1965, was peaceful and no arrests were made.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

RE: NEW HAVEN - YALE COMMITTEE
FOR PEACE IN VIET NAM

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

A P P E N D I X

CHARACTERIZATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS

ANTONIA CRAGO

[REDACTED] b7d

A fourth source advised on June 19, 1965, that ANTONIA CRAGO, on that date, acted as one of the leaders of a demonstration sponsored by the New Haven - Yale Committee for Peace in Viet Nam held on the campus of Yale University. This source stated that following this demonstration, ANTONIA CRAGO thanked the demonstrators for their participation and announced that a meeting of the New Haven - Yale Committee for Peace in Viet Nam would be held on June 28, 1965, at her residence, 640 Elm Street, New Haven, Connecticut.

JEROME DWIGHT DAVIS

JEROME DWIGHT DAVIS is Executive Director of Promoting Enduring Peace, Inc.

A characterization of Promoting Enduring Peace, Inc. is included in this appendix.

[REDACTED] b7d

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

RE: NEW HAVEN - YALE COMMITTEE
FOR PEACE IN VIET NAM

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

b7d

ROBERT L. HERBERT /

The 1964-65 Yale University Faculty Directory reveals that ROBERT L. HERBERT is an Associate Professor of History of Art.

On October 10, 1963, a sixth source identified ROBERT L. HERBERT as Faculty Advisor of the Yale Socialist Union at that time.

A characterization of the Yale Socialist Union is included in this appendix.

STAUGHTON LYND

On August 13, 1953, STAUGHTON LYND, during interview with Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, stated he had joined the American Youth for Democracy in the Fall of 1946 on the campus of Harvard University and had disaffiliated himself with the American Youth for Democracy in June, 1947.

The American Youth for Democracy has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

A seventh source advised on November 3, 1964, that STAUGHTON LYND, Professor of History, Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut, and Director of the Mississippi Freedom

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

RE: NEW HAVEN - YALE COMMITTEE
FOR PEACE IN VIET NAM

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Schools, spoke at a Socialist Workers Party meeting held October 30, 1964, at New York, New York, as a member of the panel discussing the topic, "The Ghetto and Political Action."

The Socialist Workers Party
has been designated pursuant
to Executive Order 10450.

On April 15, 1965, an eighth source advised that at a rally protesting United States intervention in Viet Nam held April 14, 1965, at Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut, LYND read a letter which he had sent to the Internal Revenue Service explaining that he was refusing to pay income tax beyond his withholding tax as a protest to the United States policy in Viet Nam.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

b7d

The "Daily Worker" was an East Coast Communist newspaper which suspended publication on January 13, 1958.

[REDACTED]

b7d

RE: NEW HAVEN - YALE COMMITTEE
FOR PEACE IN VIET NAM

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

A. J. MUSTE

The "New York Evening Journal" issue of April 28, 1942, contains an article entitled "Ex-Red Won't Register." The article relates that the Reverend A. J. MUSTE, Presbyterian Minister and Executive Secretary of the Fellowship of Reconciliation (FOR), had refused to register under the Selective Service Act. In the article MUSTE is described as a former leader of the Trotskyite faction of the Communist movement in this country. The article also relates that MUSTE was arrested in Illinois in 1934, charged with plotting to overthrow the government, but he was later released.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that the FOR is an interracial pacifist type of organization dominated by racial rather than political motives. It strives to solve the world's problems through means of peaceful methods rather than by force and it also strives to eliminate racial discrimination. b7d

The April 14, 1957, issue of "The Worker," page 16, column 1, described A. J. MUSTE as the Dean of "Socialist Pacifists" and Secretary Emeritus of the FOR.

"The Worker" is an east coast
Communist newspaper.

In August, 1964, a ninth source described A. J. MUSTE as National Chairman of the Committee for Non-Violent Action, 325 Lafayette Street, New York, New York.

HELEN SOBELL

HELEN SOBELL is the wife of MORTON SOBELL.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

b7d

b7d

b7d

RE: NEW HAVEN - YALE COMMITTEE
FOR PEACE IN VIET NAM

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

CHARACTERIZATIONS OF ORGANIZATIONS

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL

"Following the execution of atomic spies Ethel and Julius Rosenberg in June, 1953, the 'Communist campaign assumed a different emphasis. Its major effort centered upon Morton Sobell,' the Rosenbergs' codefendant. The National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case - a communist front which had been conducting the campaign in the United States - was reconstituted as the National Rosenberg-Sobell Committee at a conference in Chicago in October, 1953, and 'then as the National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell in the Rosenberg Case' ..."

("Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications" dated December 1, 1961, issued by the House Committee on Un-American Activities, page 116.)

In September, 1954, the name "National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell" appeared on literature issued by the Committee. In March, 1955, the current name, "Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell," first appeared on literature issued by the Committee.

The Address Telephone Directory for the Borough of Manhattan, New York City, as published by the New York Telephone Company on April 20, 1964, lists the "Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell" (CSJMC) as being located at 940 Broadway, New York, New York.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

PROMOTING ENDURING PEACE, INC. (PEP)

PEP, 489 Ocean Avenue, West Haven, Connecticut, was incorporated in the State of Connecticut by JEROME DWIGHT DAVIS, FOWLER HARPER and THOMAS I. EMERSON on March 13, 1958.

On July 8, 1958, PEP changed its address to 112 Beach Ave., Woodmont, Connecticut.

Articles of the Association, as filed July 8, 1958, set forth the following purposes of PEP:

"To provide an interfaith center to which religious groups interested in the promotion of world peace may meet; to conduct an educational program through religious organizations of different faiths and in cooperation with them for the promotion of world peace by the distribution of literature and information; to provide lectures on topics bearing on world peace; to stress the role of religion as a necessary and fundamental force for peace among nations; and to retain an ordained clergyman as the Executive Director and Organizer of these activities.

A source advised on May 25, 1964, that JEROME DWIGHT DAVIS, 489 Ocean Ave., West Haven, Connecticut, is Executive Director of PEP and distributes "peace literature" throughout the country.

A second source advised on April 29, 1964, that letterhead stationery of PEP, utilized for correspondence in April, 1964, lists FOWLER HARPER as Treasurer, and THOMAS I. EMERSON as a member of the National Advisory Board of PEP.

PROMOTING ENDURING PEACE, INC. (PEP)

A third source advised in July, 1950, that JEROME DWIGHT DAVIS and THOMAS J. EMERSON were concealed members of the [REDACTED] Party [REDACTED] USA, in 1944 and 1945, respectively. b7c

The "New York Guild Lawyer" (Volume 20 - Number 3), March through April, 1962, issue, which is self-described as a publication of the National Lawyers Guild (NLG), identifies FOWLER HARPER as a member of the National Executive Board of the NLG.

The NLG is described as follows:

"To defend the cases of Communist lawbreakers, fronts have been devised making special appeals in behalf of civil liberties and reaching out far beyond the confines of the CP itself. Among these organizations are the National Lawyers Guild. When the Communist Party itself is under fire, these fronts offer a bulwark of protection."

(Internal Security Sub-Committee of the Senate Judiciary Committee, Handbook for Americans, S. Doc. 117, April 23, 1956, pg. 91)

RE: NEW HAVEN - YALE COMMITTEE
FOR PEACE IN VIET NAM

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

YALE SOCIALIST UNION

[REDACTED] LEON DAY, identified by the source as a CB, SWP member at that time, stated that he and VICTOR LIPPIT, a Yale University Graduate student, had organized the Yale Socialist Union and DAY stated since he was not a Yale student he could not participate in the Yale Socialist Union (YSU) but planned to work quietly with LIPPIT on the organization.

On February 20, 1964, a second source advised that the YSU is a student organization formed at Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut, in May, 1963, which publicly describes itself as "the focal point for radical student activity on the Yale campus."

The March 13, 1964, edition of the "Yale Daily News," a daily student newspaper published at Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut, contains an article concerning the YSU which reported that activities of the YSU were limited to a "series" of appearances by various radical spokesmen and discussions of Marxist thought."

According to the second source, and articles in the April 24 and 27, 1964, editions of the "Yale Daily News," the YSU sponsored a meeting on April 25, 1964, at which a "Propaganda film" entitled, "Vietcong," advertised as "American atrocities in Vietnam," was shown and at which meeting the YSU adopted a resolution calling for withdrawal of United States troops and aid from South Viet Nam and self-determination for South Viet Nam.

During 1963-1964, the YSU, according to the second, third, and fourth sources, sponsored meetings featuring as principal speakers national officers of the Communist Party, Socialist Workers Party, Young Socialist Alliance, and Fair Play for Cuba Committee.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

RE: NEW HAVEN - YALE COMMITTEE
FOR PEACE IN VIET NAM

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

The second source on March 30, 1964, and the fifth source on April 2, 1964, advised the CB, SWP does not have any present interest in the activities of the YSU and is not currently attempting to infiltrate, dominate or control the YSU.

The Socialist Workers Party has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

On May 18, 1964, the fifth source advised the CB, SWP is affiliated with and follows the aims and purposes of the Socialist Workers Party.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

RE: NEW HAVEN - YALE COMMITTEE
FOR PEACE IN VIET NAM

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

FAIR PLAY FOR CUBA COMMITTEE

The April 6, 1960, edition of "The New York Times" newspaper contained a full-page advertisement captioned, "What Is Really Happening In Cuba," placed by the Fair Play for Cuba Committee (FPCC). This advertisement announced the formation of the FPCC in New York City and declared the FPCC intended to promulgate "the truth about revolutionary Cuba" to neutralize the distorted American press.

"The New York Times" edition of January 11, 1961, reported that at a hearing conducted before the United States Senate Internal Security Subcommittee on January 10, 1961, Dr. CHARLES A. SANTOS-BUCH identified himself and ROBERT TABER as organizers of the FPCC. He also testified he and TABER obtained funds from the Cuban Government which were applied toward the cost of the aforementioned advertisement.

On May 16, 1963, a source advised that during the first two years of the FPCC's existence there was a struggle between Communist Party (CP) and Socialist Workers Party (SWP) elements to exert their power within the FPCC and thereby influence FPCC policy. This source added that during the past year there had been a successful effort by FPCC leadership to minimize the role of these and other organizations in the FPCC so that their influence as of May, 1963, was negligible.

The SWP has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

On May 20, 1963, a second source advised that VINCENT "TED" LEE, FPCC National Office Director, was then formulating FPCC policy and had indicated that he had no intention of permitting FPCC policy to be determined by any other organization. This source stated that LEE believed that the FPCC should advocate resumption of diplomatic relations between Cuba and the United States and should support the right of Cubans to manage their revolution without interference from other nations. LEE did not advocate supporting the Cuban revolution per se.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

RE: NEW HAVEN - YALE COMMITTEE
FOR PEACE IN VIET NAM

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

The November 23, 1963, edition of "The New York Times" reported that Senator THOMAS J. DODD of Connecticut had called FPCC "the chief public relations instrument of the CASTRO network in the United States." It is to be noted that Senator DODD was a member of the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee which twice conducted hearings on the FPCC.

The December 27, 1963, edition of "The New York World Telegram and Sun" newspaper stated that the pro-CASTRO FPCC was seeking to go out of business and that its prime activity during its lifetime had been sponsorship of pro-CASTRO street rallies and mass picket lines, and the direction of an active propaganda mill highlighting illegal travel-to-Cuba campaigns. Its comparatively brief span of life was attributed to mounting anti-CASTRO American public opinion, the 1962 Congressional hearings which disclosed FPCC financing by CASTRO's United Nations Delegation, and ultimately, the bad publicity which the FPCC received from disclosure of activities on its behalf by suspected presidential assassin LEE H. OSWALD.

On February 6, 1964, the previously mentioned second source advised that V. T. LEE had recently remarked that the FPCC was dead and that there were no plans to organize another similar organization.

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

1

YOUNG SOCIALIST ALLIANCE

The May 1960, issue of the "Young Socialist" (YS), page 1, column 3, disclosed that during April 13-17, 1960, a national organization entitled, "The Young Socialist Alliance" (YSA) was established at Philadelphia, Penna. This issue stated that this organization was formed by the nationwide supporter clubs of the publication YS.

The above issue, page 6, set forth the Founding Declaration of YSA. This declaration stated that the YSA recognizes the Socialist Workers Party (SWP) as the only existing political leadership on class struggle principles, and that the supporters of the YS have come into basic political solidarity with the SWP on the principles of revolutionary socialism.

A source advised on May 6, 1964, that the original YSA was an organization formed during October, 1957, in New York City by youth in various left socialist tendencies, particularly members and followers of the SWP. The leaders of this group were the guiding forces in the establishment of the national organization.

The source further advised on May 6, 1964, that the YSA is dominated and controlled on a national basis by the SWP through having SWP members comprise exclusively the National Executive Committee (NEC) and through an official SWP representative at all YSA NEC meetings. The YSA, in reality, is the youth and training section of the SWP and the main source of new SWP members.

The headquarters of the YSA are located in Room 631, 41 Union Square West, New York City.

The SWP has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

PROPERTY OF FBI

This document contains information
received from a confidential source of
the FBI. It is the property of the
FBI and is loaned to your agency.
It and its contents are not to be
distributed outside your agency.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
New Haven 10, Connecticut

August 6, 1965

TITLE NEW HAVEN - YALE COMMITTEE
 FOR PEACE IN VIET NAM.

REFERENCE Memorandum dated and captioned
 as above at New Haven, Connecticut.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

This document contains neither recommendations nor conclusions of the FBI. It is the property of the FBI and is loaned to your agency; it and its contents are not to be distributed outside your agency.

F. I.

Date: August 6, 1965

Transmit the following in _____
(Type in plain text or code)

Via AIRTEL _____
(Priority)

TO DIRECTOR, FBI (105-138315)
FROM SAC, NEW HAVEN (100-18414) P.
SUBJECT VIDEM, NEW HAVEN - YALE COMMITTEE
FOR PEACE IN VIET NAM
INFORMATION CONCERNING
(INTERNAL SECURITY)

Re: New Haven airtel to the Bureau, dated 7/16/65, entitled
as above.

Enclosed are eleven (11) copies for the Bureau and three (3) copies
for New York of a letterhead memorandum pertaining to a rally
co-sponsored by captioned organization and other "peace groups"
which was held on 8/1/65, at Middlefield, Connecticut.

- 4 - Bureau (Enc. 11)
3 - 105-138315
1 - 138-4735
3 - New York (Enc. 3)
[REDACTED] b7D
[REDACTED] b7C
1 - 100- (Helen Sobell)
10 - New Haven
1 - 100-18414
1 - 100-18360 (New Haven-Yale Committee for Peace in Viet Nam)
1 - 100-17152 (Committee for Non-Violent Action)
1 - 100-16963 (Connecticut Committee for a Sane Nuclear Policy)
1 - 100-12615 (Promoting Enduring Peace, Inc.)
1 - 100- [REDACTED]
1 - 100- [REDACTED] b7D
1 - 100- [REDACTED] b7C
1 - 100- [REDACTED]
1 - 100- [REDACTED]

RCP:img
(17)

REGISTERED MAIL

100-109849-1453

| | |
|----------------|---------|
| SEARCHED | INDEXED |
| SERIALIZED | FILED |
| AUG 8 1965 | |
| FBI - NEW YORK | |

Approved: _____ Sent _____ M Per _____
Special Agent in Charge

NH 100-18414

The following sources were utilized in this letterhead memorandum:

First Source:

[REDACTED] b7d

Second Source:

[REDACTED] b7d

Third Source:

NH 361-S*

Fourth Source:

[REDACTED] b7d

Fifth Source:

[REDACTED] b7d

Sixth Source:

[REDACTED] b7d

Seventh Source:

[REDACTED] b7d

Eighth Source:

DENNIS M. O'SULLIVAN, PSI ~~OK~~

Ninth Source:

[REDACTED] b7d

Tenth Source:

[REDACTED] b7d

Eleventh Source:

[REDACTED] b7d

The enclosed letterhead memorandum is classified "~~CONFIDENTIAL~~" in order to protect the above sources who are of continuing value.

The interview of STAMPA LYND on 8/13/53 was conducted by SAs [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] of the Chicago Division. b7c

One copy of this letterhead memorandum is being disseminated to Secret Service, New Haven, Connecticut, and the 108th Intelligence Corps Detachment, New Haven, Connecticut.

TO: SAC (100-18360) DA
FROM: SA [REDACTED] b7c
SUBJECT: YALE NEW HAVEN COMMITTEE FOR
PEACE IN VIET NAM
IS - C

On 8/3/65, [REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past, made available a written report which is filed in NH file [REDACTED]. This report is as follows: *b7d*

100- HEDEN SOBELL

(1 - 105-1981 - NATIONAL
LIBERATION FRONT)

WCH/hmg
(30)

100 101811

SEARCHED H INDEXED H
SERIALIZED H FILED H
43 AUG 1 1965
FBI - NEW YORK

125

"Aug. 2, 1965

"On August 1, 1965 I attended a rally at Powder Hill Ski Resort, Middlefield, Conn., a place owned by Louis Zemel.

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Altogether there appeared to be at least 2000 people present, the place was packed. b7d

[REDACTED] b7d
[REDACTED] Toni Crago, Amalya's daughter, and Dr. Jerome Davis were introduced as the ones who made it possible for the program to be held.

"A priest from Christ Church in New Haven was the master of ceremonies and first introduced two members of the Chad Mitchell Trio who sang several songs, one of which claimed we had 'Saigonorrhea'.

"Then A.J. Muste spoke for at least 20 minutes. He claimed that the Chinese wanted peace and though it may be hard for us to understand Chou en Lai really meant it when he said they exploded the atom bomb for peace. Muste declaimed the American scientists who originally worked on the bomb when Hitler's scientists, foreseeing the possible awfulness, used all sorts of subterfuges not to produce one even during wartime.

"Nancy Gitlin, who attended a conference in Jakarta, was the next speaker. She spoke of the role of women in the National Liberation Front and how the women in South Viet Nam were talking their husbands and sons into deserting the Army, and how wonderfully successful they were. She represented the N.L.F. in this country. She also painted a picture of the hardships the U.S. was imposing on the people by the airplane bombing and destruction of bridges which might starve out large areas of people.

"A Mr. Herbert of the Yale Art Dept. gave figures on the tremendous cost of the war in Viet Nam and buckets were passed to collect money for the 'fight for peace'. I would guess that a large sum was gathered.

[REDACTED]

b7d

"Morris Carnovsky read a few poems and did a short bit on King Lear.

"Norman Thomas said that President Johnson wishes to be known as a great president and nothing would make him greater than to call an immediate cease fire in Viet Nam. He said that there is a terrible danger of escalation and that our world image is suffering because of the role we are playing. He said that a step in the right direction was taken when Johnson gave U Thaut authority to arrange a cessation of fighting with no conditions but if Johnson himself gave the order it would be even better. Thomas said that everyone should write to the President and tell him how we feel about the Viet Nam war. He received a standing ovation.

[REDACTED]

b7d

b7d

UNCLAS
NEW ORLEANS

TO: SAC (100-18360)

DATE: 8/10/65

FROM: SA [REDACTED] b7c

SUBJECT: DATE 8/3/65, [REDACTED] CONSULTED FOR
PEACH [REDACTED] NAME
IS [REDACTED]

On 8/3/65, [REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information
in the past, was available a written report which is filed
in the [REDACTED] file. This report is as follows:

b7d

100-18360
[REDACTED]

5 - New York (RM)

[REDACTED]

(1 - 100- [REDACTED] HELPER SOBELL)

(1 - 100- [REDACTED] NATIONAL LIBERATION
FRONT)

WCH/hmg
(35)

b7d.c



105-18360 (NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT)

[REDACTED] b7d

100-109849-1455

| | |
|----------------|---------|
| SEARCHED | INDEXED |
| SERIALIZED | FILED |
| AUG 11 1965 | |
| FBI - NEW YORK | |

Handwritten signature and initials

"August 2, 1965

[REDACTED]

b7d

"On the speakers' platform were: Morris Carnovsky, the celebrated Shakespearan actor who read some poetry and a small part from King Lear, Nancy Gitlin who had just return from Jakarta. She spoke of the women's role in the National Liberation Front, A.J. Musty - spoke at length about the Chinese wanting peace. Norman Thomas said President Johnson wants nothing more than to go down in history as one of our greatest Presidents and we could help by writing to him begging - if necessary - to call off the war in Viet Nam.

"The Priest from Christ Church in New Haven was the master of ceremonies and introduced the Chad Mitchell Trio (only two attended) who sang a few songs, one stated we suffered from "Saigonorrhea".

"Toni Crago and Jerome Davis, we were told, made the rally possible and that all donations should be mailed to 'Yale-New Haven for Peace - c/o Crago, 640 Elm Street, New Haven'. A great deal of money was collected at the rally and the price of hoh dogs and hamburgers were inflated to help the cause."

FILE # 100-109849

SUBJECT HELEN SOBELL

SERIAL 1456 DATE 8-18-65

CONSISTING OF 2 PAGES

is exempt from disclosure, in its entirety, under (b)(1) as it has been classified pursuant to Executive Order 11652 as it contains information which would disclose an intelligence source. This serial bears the Classification Officers number [REDACTED]

FILE # 100-109849

SUBJECT HELEN SOBELL

SERIAL 1457 DATE 2

CONSISTING OF 8-18-65 PAGES

is exempt from disclosure, in its entirety,
under (b)(1) as it has been classified pursuant
to Executive Order 11652 as it contains
information which would disclose an intelligence
source. This serial bears the Classification
Officers number [REDACTED]

FILE # 100-109849

SUBJECT HELEN SOBELL

SERIAL 1458 DATE 3-22-65

CONSISTING OF 2 PAGES

is exempt from disclosure, in its entirety,
under (b)(1) as it has been classified pursuant
to Executive Order 11652 as it contains
information which would disclose an intelligence
source. This serial bears the Classification
Officers number [REDACTED].

FILE # 100-109849

SUBJECT HELEN SOBELL

SERIAL 1459 DATE 8-26-65

CONSISTING OF 3 PAGES

is exempt from disclosure, in its entirety,
under (b)(1) as it has been classified pursuant
to Executive Order 11652 as it contains
information which would disclose an intelligence
source. This serial bears the Classification
Officers number ~~0000~~.